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UD 12TH BEST REGIONAL SCHOOL IN THE MIDWEST ACCORDING TO *U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT* SURVEY

DAYTON, Ohio -- The University of Dayton is again ranked as one of the best regional colleges in the Midwest, according to a *U.S. News & World Report* special report that places UD 12th among the best colleges in the region.

As in 1991, UD won its highest marks for its academic reputation, ranking fifth among Midwestern colleges. UD also ranked seventh in student satisfaction, as measured by the number of students who graduate within five years.

The magazine ranked 558 regional colleges and universities in four regions of the country. The institutions were ranked by combining statistical data with the results of a survey of academic reputations among 2,425 college presidents, deans and admission directors. The *U.S. News* survey will be published in the issue on sale Monday.

"The quality of academics, based on our mission, more than anything else will ensure our strength and success into the 21st century," said the Rev. James L. Heft, UD's provost.

Other factors in the rankings were the selectivity of the student body, the degree to which the school financially supports a high-quality, full-time faculty and the school's overall financial resources.

Illinois Wesleyan University ranked first in the Midwest.

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